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SUBJECT:CIVAIR: US-AUSTRALIA NEGOTIATIONS

REF: STATE 211835

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. THE DEPARTMENT HAS JUST BEEN NOTIFIED BY CONTINENTAL AIRLINES THAT IT HAS IDENTIFIED SOME OPERATING PROBLEMS WHICH MAKES THEIR START-UP PERIOD LONGER THAN WE HAD ANTICIPATED. THEREFORE, WE MUST RELUCTANTLY POSTPONE THE TALKS WHICH WERE SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 28 AND WE WILL ADVISE OGA ABOUT A FUTURE DATE.

2. ACTION REQUESTED. IMMEDIATELY INFORM GOA THAT

WE MUST, UNFORTUNATELY, POSTPONE NEGOTIATIONS WHICH WERE TO
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HAVE BEGUN ON AUGUST 28 UNTIL SOME LATER MUTUALLY AGREED TIME AND EXPRESS REGRETS FOR LAST MINUTE NOTICE WHICH WAS UNAVOIDABLE. YOU MAY INFORM GOA THAT THE REASON IS DUE TO CONTINENTAL'S INABILITY TO START IMMEDIATE SERVICE AS MENTIONED ABOVE. END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. FOR POST'S INFORMATION. THE

DECISION NOTED ABOVE WAS TAKEN ON THE BASIS THAT SINCE
CONTINENTAL IS UNABLE TO OPERATE WHEN USG HAD EXPECTED IT

TO OPERATE, AND BECAUSE OF THE TIME ELEMENTS BUILT INTO
THE 1971 MOU AS WELL AS THE BILATERAL, THE INTERAGENCY
COMMITTEE FELT THAT THE POSSIBLE RISKS OF AUSTRALIAN
DENUNCIATION OF EITHER OR BOTH OF THESE DOCUMENTS
REPRESENTED THE WORST NEGOTIATING POSITION THE USG COULD
HAVE AT THIS TIME AND THAT A DELAY IN NEGOTIATING WOULD
ENHANCE OUR ABILITY TO AVHIEVE OUR OBJECTIVES. END
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